

## Down and Out

**M**ISFORTUNE punched you in the neck, and knocked you down and tramped you under; will you survey the gloomy wreck, and stand around and weep, I wonder? Your hold upon success has slipped, and still you ought to bob up grinning; for when a man admits he's whipped, he throws away his chance of winning. I'd like to think of John Paul Jones, whose ship was split from true fender; the British asked, in blawsted tones, if he was ready to surrender. The Yankee mariner replied, "Our ship is sinking at this writing, but don't begin to put on side-for we have just begun our fighting!" There is a motto, luckless lad, that you should paste inside your bonnet; when this old world seems stern and sad, with nothing but some Jonahs on it, don't mummur in a futile way, about misfortune, bleak and biting, but gird your well known loins and say, "Great Scott! I've just begun my fighting!" The man who won't admit he's licked is bound to win a triumph shining, and all the lemons will be picked by weak-kneed fellows, fond of whining.

WALT MASON.

## A Year of Successful Achievement

**T**HE PRESENT board of directors of the chamber of commerce has been one of the most active and efficient that the central commercial organization of the city has ever had. It has engaged in earnest work and its efforts have been successful in many different directions. It has not only disbursed the semipublic funds with discretion and positive results, but it has raised the largest Budget fund El Paso ever had, most of which will be available for the succeeding board during this year.

It will remain for the president's report to state in detail the results of the ceaseless activities of all the various committees. But it is worth while right now to summarize some of the more important things that this board has accomplished. First, the Budget fund approximating \$50,000; to have suggested such a thing a few years ago would have been stark madness. To mention such a thing to the average citizen of this size just at this time would invite insulting retort. El Paso put it over, through the chamber of commerce organization.

Second, the State School of Mines: the time limit was about up, it looked as if the project would fail, but the chamber of commerce got behind it and the school is a reality; it is the small beginning of one of the biggest things El Paso ever treated herself to.

Third, the joint publicity and immigration bureau for the valley, in conjunction with the Mesilla Valley water users' association. It will pay big.

Fourth, the splendid movement for adequate supervised playgrounds in the city, which was initiated by the chamber of commerce and carried to success under its direction. This is perhaps the first time the chamber of commerce has entered actively into work of a distinctly social-civic kind, distinguished from commercial. It is a sort of work that other chambers of commerce concern themselves with, and the precedent here is well set.

Fifth, the activity of the chamber in promoting valley industrial development and colonization.

Sixth, promoting the livestock industry through conventions and otherwise. Seventh, other important conventions brought here and suitably entertained, greatly to the permanent gain of this city; notably the state Democratic convention.

Eighth, the "Made in El Paso" exposition, of which the chamber of commerce is one of the active promoters.

Ninth, completion of contracts for the suitable lighting of San Francisco street, involving the generous cooperation of the railroads as well as private citizens owning property along the street—a piece of work that will show, and will make the city much talked about.

Tenth, preparations to receive and entertain 100 or more special trains to the Panama expositions this year, with free trips to Mexico and other novelties for thousands of tourists.

Eleventh, promoting automobile road races and good roads.

There are plenty more things that might be mentioned, but these are enough to show that the chamber of commerce as at present officered is a live, progressive, and constructive body of workers.

The only thing lacking is members. There ought to be at least 1000 members, to bear their proportion of the cost, and to back up the officers and directors. Let this be the big work for 1915—to insure a permanent membership of 1000.

An order to an American aluminum company for canteens for European soldiers will at least mean a general betterment in canteens.

Flowers bloom in the January garden. Wherever the eastern sun lies warmly on a bit of earth it springs into bloom: Saint Aurelia, pink stock, violets, narcissus, and scented bush honeysuckle are blooming in the sun.

## El Paso's Little Brother

**T**HE LITTLE red headed finch, that is El Paso's own bird, began his trills and roundelays at the break of day the first of January, and has stuck to his resolution to make the best of things ever since. He sings during all the shining hours. His head shines in the sun, his ruby throat swells out, he sings like a lark, flying, he sings from the eaves, he sings from the roof, he sings from the telephone wires.

England may praise her nightingales and Germany her canaries, and all the other bright little choristers over the world that stay near the streets and houses of men, and sing their thanks for living, deserve all the praise they get; but no one of them deserves more, or gets less, than the El Paso finches.

No poems are written to them, scarcely a citizen pauses at his task to notice that fine capture; but as an exquisite part of El Paso's bountiful gift of grace from heaven, the finch should be recognized and protected and encouraged, poems should be written to him, pictures painted of him.

Every man, woman, and child should recognize him; and children—especially boy children with Christmas guns—should be warned against doing him harm in any way, this bright, cheerful little brother of El Paso.

The cheerful statistics are the best. There are all sorts, dismal and gay, fearful and hopeful. Now a western college president has a nice set which he offers for the cheer of all men now growing old or mindful of the fact that years are bound to increase: out of 600 names of men famous for science, statecraft, war, or finance, only 5 percent did their great work in youth, 10 percent between 40 and 50, 20 percent between 50 and 60, 35 percent between 60 and 70, 21 percent between 70 and 80, and 9 percent after 80. There is hope for all who would be great.

The woman who told her neighbor that her husband's "condition was critical" found sympathy from one who also knew the symptoms of a critical husband.

## 14 Years Ago Today

From The Herald This Date 1901.

John Harrington has returned from a business trip in Arizona.

Edward Hawley has gone to Lordsburg, where he will build a hotel.

J. A. Spelley is reported as being very ill at his home.

A small fire occurred yesterday at the residence of J. F. Meehan, 701 North Stanton street.

Ben Williams, special detective of the Santa Fe, has been appointed a special deputy by the sheriff.

S. H. Buchanan came in last night from an extended trip through Arizona.

E. J. Presidential was reelected president of the chamber of commerce this afternoon.

Charles Wilson returned last night after making an extended trip over the mining districts of Arizona.

Charles Holland was robbed of a valuable watch as he was returning home last night.

The new city directory was being issued. It estimates the population as 25,000.

More than 2000 head of cattle were entered yesterday from the Terrazas ranch.

N. D. Bree, recently of Toledo, has come to El Paso as manager of the Postal Telegraph company here.

J. B. W. Burton has received a letter stating that the Hoo-Hoo will be here for the carnival.

The installation of officers of the K. of P. was held last night. The officers are: J. L. Taylor, C. C. Frank, Carpenter, H. Y. Ellis, president; J. E. Moore, W. M. R. Robinson, K. of R. and S. Dr. J. Bush, M. E. J. W. Spencer, J. F. Larry, J. M. A. H. B. Elliott, J. C. Wylliam Humphreys, O. G. Judge Peyton Edwards, D. G.

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

**OLD FATHER FLIVVER RHYMES.**  
Little Jack Horner  
Sat in the corner,  
Of a yellow, Flivver bus.  
He pulled a bun out,  
And got in a bad pickle,  
When the driver raised a big fuss.

**"W**AR in Europe has helped, rather than hindered the sugar beet industry in our section of Michigan," said Thomas L. Hardy, of Flint, Mich., who has been visiting G. W. Wilton. "When the war started it looked as if the sugar business would be crippled. Instead, it has been better than ever and everyone is prosperous in our section. We have Russians to work the sugar beet fields this year, and they will work for \$20 an acre during the season. This scale is liable to increase rather than diminish, as the Russians soon learn that they can do better in the factories and mills. If our industry is to continue to prosper there will have to be a revision of the sugar tariff, for I am afraid that the first line in this kind of work will not be able to operate long under the present scheme."

"We have received hearty support from both the manufacturers and the public in the 'Made in El Paso' exhibit," said Frank Dunham. "An exhibit of this kind, undertaken for the first time, will necessarily be incomplete in some details, but it can be said positively that all of the representative lines of manufactured products in El Paso will be seen at the show. Exhibitions of this kind are being given in the east, but it has remained for El Paso to be the first in line in this kind of exhibition in the entire southwest."

"Many of the soldiers of Gen. Canby's division have suffered greatly from the cold while being quartered in Juarez," said Eduardo Mendez. "A part of the troops are from the southern part of the country and they arrived in the border town wearing sandals and thin cotton uniforms. Arrangements have been made by the military authorities to give them warm outfits so they can stand the cold of a campaign in northern Sonora."

"The purpose of the Children's National Tuberculosis society should be to every humanitarian instinct," said Dr. E. J. Burman, of Chicago, secretary of the society. "It endeavors to stop the conditions which prevent tubercular children from making a good fight against the disease. This society has established in Alamosa, Arizona, a home for tubercular children from every part of this country will be sent to grow strong and well in the warm, sunny climate and sunshine. This work will be largely charity, for poor children will be cared for free of charge."

"The music department of the Women's club will for the first time in the department's career present a funny program at its next meeting, which will be held on the 15th inst.," said George Brunner. "We hope that the club members and their guests will find it enjoyable. There will be a number of unique features introduced through the program."

"One thing which has struck me forcibly in regard to El Paso," said George E. Briggs, of Chicago, "is the fact that the business men and merchants here have more generally accepted modern methods of doing business. In former years it was frequently the custom to drag a man into a place of business and compel him to purchase something, whether or not he wanted it. The modern method, however, is to sell people only those things they want and, if possible, to avoid selling them anything which is not what they want. The modern method is almost all of the places of business in El Paso follow this method."

"Case settings in the court record may seem like so much useless matter to the public," said district attorney W. W. Bridges. "But to the lawyers and court officials it serves a valuable purpose and it would be almost impossible to conduct the courts without this assistance from the newspapers. The public has grown so fast that the old fashioned method of notifying the people by posting notices in the courts, or by telephone, has become inadequate. The lawyers watch the case settings and know when to attend court and when to prepare their cases."

## THE COURTS

**34TH DISTRICT COURT.**  
Dora M. Jackson, Presiding.  
Sadie Levin vs. Charles Levin, divorce; granted.  
Hackney Mfg. Co. vs. A. T. Celum, suit on notes; with jury.

**41ST DISTRICT COURT.**  
P. R. Price, Presiding.  
W. D. Corbin vs. Lewis E. Booker, suit on contract; on trial.  
W. A. Brand vs. P. Bondillard, to remove cloud from title; filed.

**COUNTY COURT.**  
Adrian Pool, Presiding.  
Isabella Duran vs. American National Insurance company, appeal from justice court; filed.  
Perfecto Salazar vs. M. Muro, sequestration; filed.  
State of Texas vs. J. W. McAllister, aggravated assault; on trial.  
**JUSTICE COURT.**  
J. N. Deaver, Presiding.  
State of Texas vs. Victor L. Ochoa, theft by larceny; bound over to grand jury on \$1500 bond.

**Abe Marlin**

**INTRODUCES SUBSTITUTE BILL FOR SHIP PURCHASE**  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 8.—A substitute for the administration ship purchase bill, authorizing the president to acquire vessels suitable for naval auxiliaries at a cost not exceeding \$30,000,000, for which Panama bonds would be sold, was introduced today by Senator Cummins. All such ships would be under the direction of the secretary of the navy instead of a shipping corporation, as the administration proposed, and the bill would be introduced to the navy forces would be leased to firms engaged in foreign commerce.

**GARRISON INDORSES BILL INCREASING COAST ARTILLERY**  
Washington, D. C., Jan. 9.—In a report asked for by the senate military affairs committee, the secretary of war Garrison has given his full approval to the chamberlain to increase the authorized strength of the coast artillery to 12 colonels, 12 lieutenant-colonels, 10 majors, 174 captains, 181 first lieutenants, 187 second lieutenants, a corresponding quota of noncommissioned officers and 7670 privates, making the total authorized limit 30,135.

**AUTO KNOCKS PEDESTRIAN DOWN ON SAN ANTONIO STREET**  
Genaro Martinez, driver of an automobile, was arrested Saturday morning on a charge of reckless driving. Complaint was filed by P. A. Marville, who claims to have been struck by the machine. He was being crowded San Antonio street in front of the city hall.

## GERMANS TO PIT RUSSIAN ARMY

## German War Hero Says Russians Fight Stubbornly, Despite Terrible Losses.

**German Army Headquarters, Posen, East Prussia, Jan. 9.**—Admiration for the fighting quality of the Russian army in the face of enormous losses, was expressed by field marshal Gen. von Hindenburg, commanding the German army operating against Warsaw, in the course of an interview given to a representative of the Associated Press. He also said that the Russians, with their immense territory, could still back up their losses, and that they were, definitely, even to Vladivostok, and that Germany could not follow that far.

**140,000 Russians Lost.**  
"Never did the Russians lose so heavily as in the sanguinary fighting around Wisniew, Kutno, Lodz and Lwow," the field marshal said. He added that at least 140,000 Russians had been killed or made prisoners. The commander-in-chief of the Russian army, Gen. Brusilov, had been proceeding everywhere favorably to the Germans and Austrians, and the fall of Lodz and the commencement of the Russian retreat, yet field marshal von Hindenburg declared that all the fight had not been taken out of the Russian army.

So large of a frame is the field marshal that he seemed under, instead of over, the average height. He has a large head and a wide forehead. He wears a heavy, sweeping mustache, less aggressive in curve than the emperor's, but equally characteristic.

The interviewer, however, turned the conversation to the war. Von Hindenburg said that, while the situation was favorable, there was little to justify the extravagant hopes based on the announcement of the collapse of the Russian offensive.

**Russians Tough Fighters.**  
"The Russians are tough opponents and not easily brought into motion," he said. "They have prepared a long series of positions. They are falling back slowly, with all the advantage of position on their side. Yet I think they are not so much as they are. They are more troops of quality to oppose us."

**878 Bodies on One Little Hill.**

Answering another question, von Hindenburg said that the Russian army had been fighting for a long time. The Russian fought desperately for possession of the city, which was the center of their line. The Russian line was bent, not broken, in this battle. The French had been driven out of the city, but not wait for that, but when he saw how affairs were going, withdrew.

The battle was the most bitter and sanguinary of this war, the Russian killed and wounded far exceeding the figures at Tannenberg. The dead lay in heaps on the battlefield. There were 878 bodies on one small hill.

**Sketches Battle of Tannenberg.**  
The commander-in-chief of the Russian army, Gen. Brusilov, then took a pencil and paper and drew a rough sketch map of the battle. "Our army," he said, "was drawn up to the north of the Mazurian lakes region here." Then he sketched the east bank of the river and the position of the troops to the north and south of the line.

"When I took command," the field marshal continued, "the order had already been made to retire. The Russian army, under Samsonoff, had moved here under the cover of darkness. I withdrew our troops before Rennenkampf's army and swung them around to the right bank of the river. The corps from the extreme left I sent around by the railroad; the others had to move by forced marches."

**Surrounded Samsonoff.**  
"Had Rennenkampf followed, we should have had to turn and face him. But he did not move forward, he waited, and so we marched in here, and here and here (drawing a series of arrows in a circle with points toward the Russian positions) we had them completely surrounded. With Rennenkampf in action there would have been no Tannenberg."

"It is true that so many thousands of Russians perished in the Mazurian lake swamp," von Hindenburg was asked.

"Not at all," came the reply that destroyed another cherished legend of the war. "There are no swamps in Tannenberg, and even if there were, they would not have driven the Russians, whose losses were chiefly in prisoners taken."

**Would Give Bayonets to Cavalry.**  
The field marshal talked of the changed tactics of the cavalry, to whom he said he would give bayonets, of the bravery of his Austrian allies, of the clothe-lined coat of letters he received daily, some of them from the United States, and with special amusement of the question of the bayonets being forwarded to him. He had received 5000 pairs of bayonets for his personal use, 10000 pairs for the army, and he said they must not be used in the future. He said that he had brought in during the dinner and which bore in icing an advertisement of a woman's blouse which had been named in his honor.

**DOWN ON SAN ANTONIO STREET**  
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## RUSSIAN ARMY ADVANCE IS CAUSING ALARM AND GERMAN RENEWS EFFORTS.

## Russian Army Advance Is Causing Alarm and German Renews Efforts.

**(Continued From Page One.)**  
ered violent attacks. Each time they were repulsed. Our gain is represented by more than 400 yards. In the region of the trenches of the enemy between Hill 200 and the village of Perthes. Furthermore, a direct attack delivered by us on Perthes at the same time was making our counter attacks on Hill 200 made us masters of the village.

**French Capture Perthes.**  
"In the region of Perthes the enemy delivered an attack to which we responded immediately by a counter attack. This movement on our part permitted us not only to retain our position at Hill 200, west of Perthes, but also to take possession of 400 yards of the trenches of the enemy between Hill 200 and the village of Perthes. Furthermore, a direct attack delivered by us on Perthes at the same time was making our counter attacks on Hill 200 made us masters of the village."

**Cloudbursts Check Fighting.**  
Berlin, Germany, Jan. 9.—By wireless to London, Eng., 4:45 p. m.—The following official communication was given out today at army headquarters: "On the western front there have been heavy rains, which seemed more like cloudbursts than anything else. Thunder was heard all day Friday. The Lys at some places has overflowed its banks. Several attacks of the enemy to the north of Soissons were beaten off with severe loss to the French."

"A French attack also near Perthes, north of Chalons, was repulsed with severe loss to the enemy."

"In the eastern section of the Argentine region our troops successfully repulsed a French attack and took prisoners, some mine throwers and a bronze mortar. A Lorraine battalion and the Hessian Landwehr particularly distinguished themselves in this fight. One of our advanced trenches near Florey, which we at the time were not occupying, was occupied by the French and at once blown up. All of the French occupants were killed."

"Both west and south of Seunheim (Germany) there is nothing to report. The French have been driven out of Purnhaupt-Haut and the trenches there into their old positions."

"On the eastern front bad weather continues. The number of prisoners taken on January 7 by us was 2000. Also seven machine guns were captured."

## GERMANY ADMITS TOBACCO FOR PRISONERS DUTY FREE

Madrid, Spain, Jan. 9.—Tobacco sent to Germany for French prisoners of duty will be admitted free of customs duty. The Spanish embassy in Berlin, which has been driving out French interests, received word to this effect today.

## SENATOR WATSON GETS TO ACT AS GOVERNOR A DAY

Austin, Tex., Jan. 9.—Gov. Colquitt, having crossed the state line and being today in the state of Louisiana, being senator Quintana Watson, president of the senate, is now acting governor of the state. Quite a number of acting governor Watson's friends called on him today and extended congratulations. When Gov. Colquitt retires from office, senator Watson also retires from public life and is succeeded by Lieut. Gov. Will P. Hobby, of Beaumont. Senator Watson has been the acting lieutenant governor since the resignation of Gen. Gov. Mayes to become head of the state school of journalism.

## Tessie Loses a Ring

**W**ITH all of the million and one things that Mrs. Tabby has to attend to it was a wonder that she was not crazy! First it was Tom and then Ted, and then one of the kitty girls who was in trouble, until it did seem as if her fur would either turn perfectly white or drop out and leave her completely bald! But such was not the case and she went from one thing to the other just as if she had all of the time in the world and never could lose her temper.

By FLORENCE E. YODER.

It was a very tiny little ring with the most beautiful blue set in it that you ever saw. She was very, very happy when she first received it, but the longer she had it the more she worried about it unless some one happened to say something about it.

So she stood before the table with the dough and mixing board and worked. Tom came in, teased her, and she threw flour at him. Then she became excited and threw dough at him. By the time she had finished the cookies, and they were in the stove and safe out of harm's way, she went to wash her paws.

She was on the last thing that she had thought about. That naughty Tom had taken up all of her mind and time. She was thoughtful, soaking off the dough and looking at the water as it became white from the flour. Then she changed it again and at last it was clear when she put her paws in and remained so. She looked down through the water, and then suddenly straightened up. Where was her ring?

She snatched her paws out of the water and looked. It was gone! She looked hurriedly about and then ran to tell Mrs. Tabby. "I can't remember whether or not I lost it," she wailed. "That T. m. was about, he may have taken it to tease me." Tom was called in, but he denied ever having seen the ring off Tessie's paw, and Mrs. Tabby could not make him say anything but that.

So Mrs. Tabby gave it up, and went where they did not know, but Tessie, after she had lashed crying and had wiped her eyes, made up her mind to keep a sharp lookout, all over Tabbyland for that ring. How she at last heard from another story.

## Students of the El Paso Schools

**M**ODELING with clay has a great appeal for the school children of the primary grades. There is a fascination about pinching and pulling and twisting a lump of clay into a representation of some bird or animal that interests the children.

Modeling in clay, or building in sand piles, forms an important part of the recreational work of the kindergarten and lower grades. It provides a channel for the child's busy little brain to express itself and also keeps its equally busy little fingers occupied and out of mischief.

The names of the pupils of the high third grade at the San Jacinto school, taught by Miss Estelle Barclay, are:

Julia Arden.	Saul Hernandez.	Florence Riley.
Mary Collin.	Joe Tancarro.	Bonnie Riggs.
Ernest Collin.	Rose Levinson.	Dorothy Simon.
Elsie Eminger.	Mamie Latham.	Morris Scott.
Callie Fair.	Lloyd Morris.	Norman Tyler.
Jose Ferro.	Vera Mosby.	Marguerite Welborn.
Robert Gorman.	Felipa Perez.	Rector Weeka.
	Annalaura Pierce.	Charlie Wyile.

The names of the low third pupils will appear Monday.

## "Wah-lia Mean Me Jay Walkee," Warbles China Boy When Cop Gets Him

A Chinese peddler, who gave his name as John, was the first man arrested under the new traffic ordinance. He was charged with obstructing traffic, it being alleged that he was driving his wagon on one side of the street to the other along West Rio Grande. The arrest was made Saturday morning.

The work of instructing the people of El Paso in the proper observance of the new traffic ordinance started Saturday morning. During Friday and Saturday men were at work painting lines at street crossings to indicate the path to be followed by pedestrians. This work was completed in the more congested portions of the business section.

Both the night and day police force will be on duty Sunday when the traffic ordinance will be enforced strictly, chief of police L. N. Davis says. The police will be distributed on the downtown corners and on the residence streets where traffic is heavy.

The school of instruction for patrolmen is being continued by chief of police L. N. Davis, meetings being held in the corporation courtroom every afternoon.

## D. D. WILLIS DIES AT HIS APARTMENT

Daniel D. Willis, claim agent for the El Paso and Southwestern system, died at his home in the Brazos apartments Friday evening shortly after 6 o'clock. Mr. Willis came to the Brazos system from the G. H. & S. A. railroad in 1905. He was claim agent for the G. H. & S. A. and also for the Houston and Texas Central railroad prior to his connection with the Southwestern. Mr. Willis was general superintendent of the San Antonio Street Railway company before joining the claim department of the G. H. & S. A. having worked his way up from a driver of one of the old cars to the management of the system. He was also the owner and president of the West End street car line which he bought at receiver's sale. He retained his home in San Antonio until his death.

D. D. Willis was 45 years old at the time of his death. He was born on the Magnolia plantation at Port Gibson, Miss., a short distance below Vicksburg. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Miss Janie Lee Willis. No other relatives are known, as his parents died several years ago at the old Willis home. The funeral will be held in El Paso and the date will be announced later.

## JEALOUS MAN SLASHES WIFE'S THROAT, TRIES TO KILL SELF

Casper, Wyo., Jan. 9.—Willie Palmer, 30, late Fryd, killed his wife and attempted suicide at Salt Creek, an oil camp 40 miles north of here. Jealousy is said to have prompted the crime. Palmer will recover.

Palmer slashed his wife's throat with a razor, and then slashed his own throat with the same weapon.

The library has two of the most powerful political magazines, "The Catholic" and "The Spectator," published in London, which is one of the best magazines giving the allied side of the European war. If one magazine beats the other in arriving at the library, much wrath and indignation is caused among the adherents of the other side.

Of all the books on European history and wars and also upon modern conditions, Bernhard's "Germany and the Next War" is generally considered the most comprehensive. Mrs. Edith Graham Coyne, the librarian, says, "This is really the book of the war, and is so considered in libraries all over the country."

The demand for historical novels has greatly increased since the outbreak of the war in Europe, many people preferring to have their facts made more interesting in this way.

A special library of 400 books for school children was purchased this year and has been started in the rooms of the schools. This library is composed of books on history, travel, geography and literature, graded so as to supplement the school work of each of the school grades. The school teachers in each room act as the librarians and record the books used.

Lamar school had the honor of being the first school to receive the library and in the five weeks the books were at this school, 1923 books were read. The library is now at the Baylor school. This library has already accomplished a great deal in awakening interest among the parents of the school pupils in the library books and a number of library cards in the down town library have been taken out as a result. The Lamar school children seemed to be particularly appreciative of the library and in almost every grade a number of the pupils wrote letters of thanks to the librarian for the use of the books.

In groups of 50 all the high school pupils have been taken through the library by the librarians and helped in the use of the index card system and the other methods used in the library to encourage the school students in a more general use of the library books.

## More Truth Than Poetry

By JAMES J. MONTAGUE.

**Pine to Sit Up Nights With.**  
A baby has been named Shrapnel. According to the war correspondents, shrapnel shrieks, whines, hisses, roars, booms, shouts and detonates.

**Who'd Thought It of Him?**  
Mr. Redfield says that pessimists are men who use words as facts and missing nerve. For a man with side whiskers this is an awfully radical language.

**Get All Facts Before You Condemn Him**  
Let us not be too hasty in judging the professor who said the Chinese are better fitted to rule government than Americans. Perhaps what he said was hypochondriacal.